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Comrade Visits the Panama Canal—Past and Present of the Great
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French Failure and Entrance of Old Glory—Conquering the Musketo and Disease—Wicked Old Towns and Modern American
Municipalities—"Gold and Silver" Men—Prosperous and Contented

Panama Rallroad held by said company—in fact, everything "movable or immovable" belonging to that corporation on the Isthmus. The same act authorized the President to acquire in perpetuity 10 miles in width across the isthmus for canal purposes. All of this has passed into history as having been accomplished.

On Nov. 3, 1903, the Province of Panama severed its connection with Colombia, and three days later the new Republic was recognized by the United States. There are some "spig goties" employed—that is, natives. This name was applied to them because they nearly all tell you that they cannot "speakited English" when they are addressed in our language. Their de-based currency is called "spiggotty" money, it being worth just one-half of the value of our money. The color line wards a treaty was signed at Washing-A Comrade Visits the Panama Canal—Past and Present of the Great

By EDWARD A. KEELER, Past Senior Vice Commander, Department of Illinois, G. A. R.

President Grant's View.

the first subscriptions for \$65,000,000 President Grant, defining the true capital were called for \$120,000,000 doctrine in the matter of an American was promptly offered. The construction work began Feb. 1, 1881, and offiimportance to our country that no Lesseps that within a year thousands European Government should hold such a work." Later, in February, 1881, canal would be open for business in in an article in the North American 1888. Enormous salaries were paid to Review, he wrote these words of living engineers and those who directed.



ican soil, to the American people." Gen. Grant was a great soldier, but he was a greater American.

History makes no record showing when man began dreaming dreams. The Bible gives evidence that in the days of the prophets a habit was in vogue of dreaming all sorts of schemes that might lead to the betterment of man, but it is fair to suppose that the most of them ended in nightmare. However, the dream of Columbus, Humboldt, Napoleon, De Lesseps and countiess navigators of the time panned by 1505 and the present has ecome a fact, and a canal to connect the Atlantic and the Pacific is swiftly

going towards completion.

Various routes for a canal have been fully exploited. The Clayton-Bulwer treaty, which was perhaps one of the greatest of diplomatic blunders, pro-vided that neither the United States nor Great Britain should exclusively con-trol the proposed Nicaraguan Canal or build any fortifications along it; that neither should ever take possession of, fortify, colonize or exercise dominion protectorate over any part of Cen-

"I regard it as of vast political cial announcement was made by De Thousands of buildings were built, and

after work began on the big ditch.

### A Trip to the Isthmus.

Last November the writer took a trip going on there. Embarking at New Or-leans on the splendid ship Turrialba, commanded by one of the best of sailormen, Capt. McKay, the run across the Culf of Mexico and the

as it is likely to be, it will be the duty of every lover of his country who pos-

## The Zone.



CATHEDRAL AT PANAMA.

ly guard the safety and neutrality of the canal and should invite all other nations to do the same; that both should give aid and support to any responsible company which should construct the canal, and that thus a general principle should be established for application to all Isthmian canals or railroads. But before the treaty was ratified by the British Government they began, as usual, to back and fill to secure better terms. Our people were notified that Mr. Bull did not interpret the provisions of the treaty as applications of the treaty as application to all Isthmian canals or railroads. The twilight, however, was rapidly and the safety and on earth. The Panama Railroad and should invite all other and physical and colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles from Cristobal and Colon on the Atlandance of about 48 miles ly guard the safety and neutrality of and villainy, so much foul disease, such would be possible in any other aggre-

Don't Be Sick.

The First to Drive a Surveying Pin.

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earth. This was under the De Lesseps regime in 1887. Obispo, a mile beyond, is a settlement of nearly 300 very well pleased with the climate here, souls. Las Cascadas is two miles and are surprised at the growth of the farther on, and two miles farther is town since August. I feel satisfied attractive place of residence, overlook-ing a magnificent panorama of busy work, jungle, hills and happy homes. The disbursing office is located at Empire, and a fine Y. M. C. A. building. In parentheses it is proper to say here without the use of dangerous drugs, the that this great Association has build-ing scattered all along the Zone in its ing at once a free trial of the wonderfu-

A mile or so beyond Empire is sit-uated Culebra, on what is known as the "continental divide," and near the great cut, the bete noir of so many wise Alexanders who predict failure of the construction of the canal. A prominent ex-Senator, who is able to have haircut without removing his hat, union Sept. 26, 1910, on Culp's Hill,

## The Climate.

canal.

as the Frenchman said of Niagara. At Colon the average rainfall is about 12 feet yearly, but the inhabitants seem unmindful of such disorderly conduct on the control of th on the part of our old friend Pluvius. As one nears the Pacific the rainfall decreases. At Panama the figure is

all property of every name and nature, including all the capital stock of the "gold employes" and "silver employes."

Panama Railroad held by said company—in fact, everything "movable or while the latter are a mixture of newards a treaty was signed at Washing- is sharply drawn on the Zone. ton by which we acquired complete commissaries, the railread stations and on the zone. At the ownership and control of the proposed waterway for the sum of \$10,000,000 barred from mixing with his white and an annual payment of \$250,000, both to begin nine years afterwards. Soon States find their way down there, but those who do see the doctrine of race superiority exemplified in a drastic way. (To be concluded.)

to the Canal Zone to see the great work | DESCRIPTION NOT OVERDRAWN. A Minnesota Comrade's Views on St.

Cloud. Editor National Tribune: When Caribbean Sea was a continuing pleasure. The line of ships owned by the United Fruit Company, and under the left here last November for St. Cloud, management of Mr. Ellis, are not excelled for all the things that make for safety, comfort and courteous officers, St. Cloud and had time to look the from the Captain to the most humble place over carefully be would write from the Captain to the most humble sailor. Lord Byron tells us in "Childe and tell me truthfully just how he harold" of a ship that "walks the waters like a thing of life, and seems to dare the elements to strife." That partly describes the great vessels of the United Fruit Company's line. partly describes the great vessels of the United Fruit Company's line.

Prior to embarkation we traversed New Orleans in an automobile. It is a beautiful, bustling city, and when the World's Panama Exposition is held there at the completion of the canal, Livingston, Sergeant, Co. E. 14th Ohio

sesses the price—and a cut price, at that—to go to the Isthmus after visiting the exposition. Persons living, say, at Chicago or St. Louis, can cover this great trip for a fare not exceeding \$60. New Orleans is making great preparations for this celebration, and, under the management of President Thompson, will be an unqualified success. In all probability, 500,000 persons will read this—it will reach that many at least—and they should study the matter of visiting the great show, with the combination of the canal, in 1915. ings is fully 75 on an average, and many old soldiers of much ability are NATIVE HOMES IN THE CANAL ZONE.

"In accordance with the early and diater policy of the Government, in obedience to the often-expressed will of the American people, with a due regard to our National dignity and power, with a watchful care for the safety and prosperity of our interests and industries on this continent, and with a design of the safety and prosperity of our interests and industries on this continent, and with a design of the work is approach of rival powers, whether friendly or hostile, on these shores, I commend an American canal, on American soil, to the American people."

The Zone.

Old Colon was discovered by Columbous in 1502, and the town of Panama on the Pacific was founded in 1515. Both towns are old enough to know! Weterans' Association," which meets better. They have more abodes of injustific was founded in 1515. Commander is from Marshall, Minn. Comrade De Graw. But the most leave the fact that the pacing on the Pacific was founded in 1515. Commander is from Marshall, Minn. Comrade De Graw. But the most leavely largely attended meeting is that of the Weter. They have more abodes of injustific was founded in 1515. Commander is from Marshall, Minn. Comrade De Graw. But the most leavely largely attended meeting is that of the work and the fact. The safety and prosperity of our interests and industries on this continent, and with a design of the safety and prosperity of our interests and industries on this continent, and with a design of the safety and prosperity of our interests and industries on this continent. Colon, at the north entrance of the canal, and form north entrance of the canal, and form on the staked across the Isthmus, smitting north entrance of the canal, and form on the staked across the Isthmus, smitting north entrance of the canal, and form on the staked across the Isthmus, smitting north entrance of the canal, and form on the continent. Colon, at the safety and prosperity of our interests and industries on this continent. Colon, at the found in the safety and the contin initiative for incorporation. A contrac-tor here recently told me there are over 140 houses under construction The larger number of builders move in when the house is enclosed

without witing to plaster or paper.

The region hereabout is decidedly sandy in the main, although there are frequent tracts of black muck land of several feet deep. This is very fertile. Oranges, grapefruit, tangerines and mandarines do well, and garden vege-tables, strawberries and blackberries are said to do well generally. Roses have been in full bloom since we came. February is the month generally advised for corn planting, but I saw an old soldier heeing his corn last week that was six inches high. Sweet potatoes do very fine, and quite a number are growing Irish potatoes.

One drawback here is the ever-pres ent palmetto and its wondrous roots The State chemist says these palmetts roots poison the ground by their super-abundance of tannic acid, and one has to get rid of these roots and then put on cow peas, beans or lime to "sweeten" the ground before you can grow the ordinary vegetables; but this does not

Empire, with an estimated population at the present time and I think there of 5,000 inhabitants. East of the railare at least 100 more under constructional station is a hill some 300 feet tion. I find the health of the people high. This eminence was a fortification in use in the old days of eruption a good place for old veterans.—Samuel of the Panamaneans. It is now a very Way, Cas. D and G, 7th Ill. Cav., St. and was filled. Nearly every Post in Greater New York was represented. The guests of honor were Hon. Henry

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gravely informed the writer recently Gettysburg, Pa., and 164 comrades anthat the Culebra Cut would never be swered roll call, Sept. 27 we attended properly finished. While in the Senate the dedication of the fine memorial voted for the Nicaraguan route, arch erected by the State of Pennsylvania in memory to her sons who took Paraiso is the next stop, eight miles part in that bloody struggle July 1, 3 and 3, 1863. In the facade of the base of the arch is a bronze tablet for each and every Pennsylvania organization taking part there, with the city of Panama secures its water the city of Panama secures its water the city of Panama secures its water than the city of Panama secures its wat supply. Finally comes Corozal, on the scribed thereon. As Pennsylvanians edge of a mangrove swamp, three miles we have reason to be proud of our State and that grand memorial arch mini of the railroad at Panama and La standing there on that field, the high Boca, the south entrance to the great tide of the rebellion a tribute to those participating (herein, and erected to their memory 47 years after the bloody The hottest time of the day is from struggle.-S. A. Howard, Sergeant, Co

The 2d N. Y. will hold a Reunion at Troy, N. Y., May 18, the 50th anniver-sary of departure for the scat of war. All comrades are requested to send their names and addresses to Arthur

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Furthermore, Dr. is had wants to make it clear that he has no "curreall." He is a specialist in kilney and bladder diseases and rheumatism; to please do not write to him unless you have one of these diseases. If you write nt once hoth the medical advice of that with such a free offer trouble or rheumatism is seek with kidneys. The National and the proposed of the positive would got the medical advice of the positive would got rheumatism is seek with kidneys and work in the sum of some sum of the positive would got rheumatism is seek with kidneys trouble or rheumatism seek with kidneys trouble or rheumatism is seek with kidneys trouble or rheumatism of the public hand to gent money, but this free offer really IX A FREE OFFER. And remember, that instead of getting an ordinary physician, you get the medical advice free direct from America's greatest of all specialists on these diseases. See FREE treatment certificate at bottom of this page, and get

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Gen. John A. Dix, and was held under the auspices of John A. Dix Post, G. A. R. The church seats over 2,000,

The guests of nonor were from Clews, Mrs. Morgan Dix and daughters

and Gov. John A. Dix and wife. Gen. George B. Loud made the principal address. Other addresses were by John A. Dix and the Rev. J. Wesley Hill.

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ssociation of Pittsburg, embracing al

the Posts in that locality, has adopted resolutions extending the thanks of the

Association to Joseph G. Cannon, William H. Graham, Andrew J. Barch-field and James Francis Burke for their

support of the Sulloway Bill. George F. Peters is President of the Associa-tion, and Thomas G. Jones Secretary.

We heard a man say the other morn-

ing that the abbreviation for February

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to survey the Mexican Isthmus for a His mansion still stands facing the railroad or a canal. After the Gadsden beautiful Limon Bay as a monument treaty, in 1853, the Mexican Government confirmed the privileges it had granted to Garay for a railroad. Capitalists of the United States, however, the Panama Railroad was being built, wherefore the Tchuantepec scheme was abandoned and forever, excepting that James B. Eads exploited an imposwherefore the Tchuantepec scheme was abandoned and forever, excepting that James B. Eads exploited an imposing project of building a ship raliway. This was wholly a fanciful dream and was dropped. The Caledonian Bay route and the Darlen scheme, with the others, were like—

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Enter Old Glory.

about five feet in the year. It's damp De Lesseps was a resourceful promoter. His success on the Suez Canal had given him an international prestige. So well deli he succeed in arousing interest in his Panama scheme that when the successions, grants of land, and the others in silver, for the purposes to know who can beat her record.

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